

# Seneca Valley School District



## SCHOOL BOARD ACTION MEETING

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium - 5:30 p.m.

### PUBLIC AGENDA

**December 7, 2020**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by School Board President
  - A. **Moment of Silence**
  - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** – “I Led the Pledge” – Isla Perry, Grade 3 at Connoquenessing Valley Elementary School
  - C. **Roll Call**
2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**
  - A. **Student/Staff Recognition** – Ms. Linda Andreassi
    1. **Boys’ Soccer Team** – The Seneca Valley Boys’ Soccer Team, under the direction of Head Coach George Williams and Assistant Coaches Jay Roman and Scott Stewart, made school history on Saturday, Nov. 21, when they won the PIAA Boys’ 4A State Championship.
    2. **Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh** – The Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh recently announced that Jim Lucot Jr. has been named the 2020-2021 Holocaust Educator of the Year. The award five years ago in the interest of recognizing and encouraging excellence in Holocaust education in the tri-state area. Mr. Lucot has been a leader among Holocaust educators for decades. He never stops learning; recently completing a Master’s degree in Holocaust Studies for which he traveled the country visiting Holocaust memorials.
  - B. **Dates to Remember** – Ms. Andreassi

December 12	SHS ACT Testing, 7:30 a.m. – 38 students
December 23 – January 1	Winter Break: No School for Students or Staff
January 11	School Board Work Session, I H S Auditorium 7 p.m.
  - C. **Agency Reports**
    1. Vo-Tech – Mr. Nickel/Mr. Fred Peterson, Jr.
    2. I.U. IV – Mr. Eric DiTullio
  - D. **Legislative** – Mr. Peterson

- E. **Cranberry Township Residential Developments** – Dr. Tracy Vitale
- F. **COVID-19 Update** – Dr. Vitale
- 3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – School Board President
  - A. **Work Session** – November 2, 2020
  - B. **Action Meeting** – November 9, 2020
- 5. **TREASURER’S REPORT** – Ms. Lynn Burtner
- 6. **ADMINISTRATION ACTION** – Mr. DiTullio
  - A. **Board Policies** – Approve the following board policies
    - 1. Policy 902 – Publications Program, revised, second and final reading
    - 2. Policy 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings, revised, second and final reading
    - 3. Policy 907 – School Visitors, revised, second and final reading
  - B. **The Children’s Institute Services Agreement** – Approve The Children’s Institute Services Agreement for educational and related services through July 13, 2021.
  - C. **Revised Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan** – Dr. Marie Palano – Approve the revised phased reopening health and safety plan.
- 7. **INSTRUCTION ACTION** – **Return to School Instruction Model** – Dr. Vitale – Approve return to school instruction model, as provided by the superintendent, for the month of January 2021.
- 8. **PERSONNEL** – Mr. Jeff Widdowson – Approve appointments, leaves, merit and retirement.
- 9. **COMMUNICATIONS**
  - A. Preference and support for Cohort or full-remote instruction K-12
    - 1. Ms. Jennifer Wolfe
    - 2. Ms. Heather Bianco
    - 3. Ms. Rachel Petelin
    - 4. Dr. Peter Sylves
    - 5. Ms. Sierra Albert
    - 6. Ms. Denise Halyama
    - 7. Mr. Geoff Zimmerman
    - 8. Ms. Danielle (Gorley) Slacker
  - B. Preference and support for cohort or five days in-person instruction
    - 1. Ms. Jeanne Bestwick
    - 2. Mr. Michael Leedecke
    - 3. Ms. Stacy Leedecke

4. Mr. Ben Waldrum
5. Ms. Lindsey Waldrum
6. Mr. Rich Allen
7. Ms. Ami Halin
8. Ms. Kelsey Zadrozny
9. Ms. Shannon Tharnish
10. Ms. Amy Gilbert
11. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Congdon
12. Ms. Danielle Iaquinta
13. T. McHenry
14. Ms. Deena McHenry
15. Ms. Brandee Rentz
16. Mr. Mark Bidoli
17. Ms. Megan Rippin
18. Ms. Amy Perschke
19. Mr. Nathan McCollough
20. Mr. and Mrs. Ty Bintrim
21. Mr. Mark Gartner
22. Ms. Melissa (no last name provided)
23. Ms. Candace Kantz
24. Ms. Jessica McKenzie
25. Mr. Steve Elliott
26. Mr. Brandon McKenzie
27. Mr. Tom Bailey
28. Ms. Erika Costanzo
29. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Silvester
30. Mr. Justin Page
31. Ms. Nicole Nehnevajsa

- C. Support for decision to move 7-12 only to Cohort – Ms. Christine Wilson
- D. Concern or questions about guidelines for recent school building closures
1. Ms. Leah Bedell
  2. Ms. Cathy Cox
  3. Ms. Nicole Sylves
  4. Mr. Walter Regal
  5. Ms. Fran Kreider
- E. Request for number of asymptomatic positive cases – Ms. Stephanie Lane
- F. Invitation to National School Boards Association focus group – Ms. Kristen Hutter
- G. Positive feedback and note of thanks
1. Ms. Kaylyn Talton
  2. Ms. Beth Lauer
  3. Ms. Tammy Blazer
- H. Relaxed rules for sports – Mr. Chris Bogdon
- I. Cohort suggestion – Mr. Joseph Wagner

- J. Dangers of long-term mask wearing – Ms. Stephanie Lane
- K. Note of thanks – Ms. Beth Kane
- L. PSERS election – Mr. Steve Esack
- M. Concerns about mask wearing at school – Ms. Stephanie Lane
- N. Various expressions of concern and appreciation for teachers
  - 1. Mr. Travis Pile
  - 2. Ms. Jaclyn Gaus
  - 3. Ms. Kristen Burcham
  - 4. Ms. Nicole Sylves
  - 5. Mr. and Mrs. Tony Livorse
- O. Lack of testing in Butler County
  - 1. Mr. Kyle Ford
  - 2. Ms. Kim Geyer

10. **ADJOURNMENT**